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To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: White House Report: Daily Wrap and EPA Top Stories Links, 6/12/17

Daily Wrap

Axios (Ben Geman); CNN (Rene Marsh); Huffington Post (Nick Visser); Politico (Anthony Adragna) [Received 6/11] – OPEN – Asking why the Administrator is returning early from G7 summit.

Bloomberg (Todd Shields); E&E News (Hannah Hess); Washington Post (Chris Mooney) [Received 6/11] – OPEN – Seeking comment on G7 issuing communique noting policy disagreements with US.

BNP (Brian Dabbs) [Received 6/12] – CLOSED 6/12 – Reporter requesting confirmation of pending Richard Yamada nomination as ORD AA – no acknowledgment.

BNP (Llewellyn Hinkes Jones) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Seeking clarification on Administrator Pruitt's comments on how low share of coal use "creates vulnerabilities to attacks on infrastructure.

BNP (Steven Gibb) [Received 6/12] – CLOSED 6/12 – Asking if Michael Dourson will be nominated to be Assistant Administrator for OCSPP. DDL 6/12 4PM. Sent background info.

BNP (Renee Schoof) [Received 6/9] – OPEN – Seeking announcement that Patrick Traylor will be political deputy at OECA. Sent response.

BNP (Sylvia Carignan) [Received 6/9] – CLOSED 6/9 – Question about Environmental Appeals Board. Sent response.

BNP (Stephen Joyce) [Received 6/8] – CLOSED 6/11 – Questions regarding EWG report listing contaminants not listed on regulatory regime. Sent response.

Buzzfeed (Zahra Hirji) [Received 6/11] – CLOSED 6/11 – Questions regarding Administrator Pruitt's agenda and priorities at G7 summit. Lincoln handled.

CQ Roll Call (Elvina Nawaguna) [Received 6/12] – CLOSED 6/12 – Seeking comment on former EPA officials report on budget request. DDL 6/12 3:30PM. Jahan handling.

DC Report (Sarah Okeson) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Asking how many people have contacted Administrator Pruitt this month regarding settling lawsuit over Pebble Mine in Bristol Bay.

E&E News (Niina Heikkinen) [Received 6/11] – OPEN – Asking if Patrick Traylor has been appointed to enforcement at EPA and asking why Administrator Pruitt is leaving the G7 summit early.

E&E News (Niina Heikkinen) [Received 6/9] – OPEN – Questions regarding the priorities of Administrator Pruitt at G7 summit.

Gatehouse Media (Adam Wagner) [Received 6/9] – OPEN – Questions regarding report of GenX in drinking water supply around Wilmington.

Huffington Post (Alexander Kaufman) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Asking if the EPA is concerned about the Environmental Protection Network impeding Administrator Pruitt's agenda.

InsideEPA (Maria Hegstad) [Received 6/9] – OPEN – Asking who the nominee for assistant administration of the research office will be. DDL 6/9 5PM.

Law360 (Adam Lidgett) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Asking to speak with Patrick Traylor regarding his recent appointment to OECA. DDL 6/12 2:45PM.

Law360 (Kat Sieniuc) [Received 6/9] – CLOSED 6/9 – Seeking comment on AG's letter to Administrator Pruitt re emissions standards. Sent response.

Politico (Alex Guillen) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Asking for copy of documents on proposed delays of oil and gas methane rules.

Reuters (Chris Prentice) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Asking about a comment on the Point of Obligation by a former WH official under Obama. Sent background statement, plus a statement on the record for her follow up question.

S&P Global (Annalee Armstrong) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Questions regarding Administrator Pruitt's participation at G7 summit. DL 6/12 5PM.

Star News (Vaughn Hagerty) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Questions regarding report of GenX in drinking water supply around Wilmington.

Treasure Coast Palm (Florida; Lucas Daprile) [Received 6/9 from Region 4, which is handling non HQ-specific questions] – PFOA/PFOS in Stuart, FL, water supply - written response from OW awaiting OPS approval – DDL 6/9, 3 PM

Undark (Zack Colmin) [Received 6/12] – OPEN – Questions regarding GHG reporting. DDL 6/13 3PM.

Vice (Lydia Randall) [Received 6/9] – OPEN – Seeking comment on penalties and violations on air quality in Allegheny County over the past 5 years.

Yomiuri Shimbun (Brian Wielk) [Received 6/9] – CLOSED 6/11 – Asking if Administrator Pruitt will be at G7 in Italy. Sent response.

EPA Top Stories Links

<https://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/2017/06/12/stories/1060055908>

States seek changes in their relationship with EPA — report

<https://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/2017/06/12/stories/1060055909>

IG scrutinizes EPA oversight of air quality models

<https://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/2017/06/12/stories/1060055907>

EPA delays safety rule until 2019

<https://insideclimatenews.org/news/12062017/g7-scott-pruitt-climate-change-paris-agreement-international-relations>

U.S. Refuses to Join G7 Climate Change Declaration

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/energy-environment/wp/2017/06/12/this-is-what-the-u-s-s-new-global-isolation-on-climate-change-looks-like/?utm_term=.55e436a50945

This is what the U.S.'s new global isolation on climate change looks like

<http://www.motherjones.com/politics/2017/06/trump-wants-to-cut-epas-scientific-research-in-half/>

Trump Wants to Cut EPA's Scientific Research in Half

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/06/12/us-reject-g7-pledge-239432>

U.S. rejects G-7 pledges on climate efforts and aid

<http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/epa-slams-brakes-on-obama-chemical-safety-rules/article/2625682>

EPA slams brakes on Obama chemical safety rules

<https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/2017/06/12/stories/1060055898>

Pruitt rebuffs G-7 on climate

<https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/2017/06/12/stories/1060055895>

CEI official disparages Trump budget, urges redo

<https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/2017/06/12/stories/1060055903>

No EPA 'pattern of deception' in mine spill — IG

<https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/2017/06/12/stories/1060055893>
Trump EPA taking comments on Obama monitoring settlement

<http://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/337410-epa-delays-chemical-safety-rule-until-2019>
EPA delays chemical safety rule until 2019

<http://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/337423-watchdog-epa-acted-legally-reasonably-in-2015-colorado-mine-spill>
Watchdog: EPA acted legally, reasonably in 2015 Colorado mine spill

<https://www.politicopro.com/energy/whiteboard/2017/06/ig-report-largely-clears-epa-on-gold-king-spill-response-088920>
IG report largely clears EPA on Gold King spill response

<https://www.politicopro.com/energy/whiteboard/2017/06/epa-delays-chemical-facility-safety-rule-until-2019-088922>
EPA delays chemical facility safety rule until 2019

https://www.buzzfeed.com/zahrahirji/epa-pruitt-leaves-climate-conference-early?utm_term=.hi9dr0adV#.j1QdEQMdA
The Head Of The EPA Went To A Climate Conference In Italy But Left Early

<http://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/337389-us-does-not-sign-international-climate-change-pledge>
Trump administration abstains from international climate change pledge

http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/E/EU_ITALY_G7_ENVIRONMENT?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT
US opts out of G7 pledge committing to Paris climate accord

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2017/jun/12/us-formally-rejects-paris-climate-treaty-g-7-envir/>
U.S. formally rejects Paris climate treaty at G-7 environmental meeting

<https://www.eenews.net/eedaily/2017/06/12/stories/1060055850>
Barrasso makes true on promise with E15 hearing

<https://www.eenews.net/eedaily/2017/06/12/stories/1060055852>
NRC, EPA and FEMA picks to testify

<https://www.eenews.net/eedaily/2017/06/12/stories/1060055866>
Pruitt, flurry of admin officials due on Hill

<https://www.eenews.net/climatewire/2017/06/12/stories/1060055878>
New EPA official is energy lawyer, deacon

<https://www.eenews.net/climatewire/2017/06/12/stories/1060055877>
Details emerge about Trump's planned rollback

<https://www.politicopro.com/tipsheets/morning-energy/2017/06/pruitt-briefly-attends-g7-environment-meeting-023247>
Pruitt briefly attends G7 environment meeting

<https://www.politicopro.com/energy/whiteboard/2017/06/epa-reschedules-science-meeting-to-add-industry-voices-after-smith-cries-foul-088884>
EPA reschedules science meeting to add industry voices after Smith cries foul

<https://www.politicopro.com/energy/whiteboard/2017/06/epa-hires-energy-attorney-for-enforcement-office-088892>
EPA hires energy attorney for enforcement office

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/paloma/the-energy-202/2017/06/12/the-energy-202-pruitt-punts-on-climate-talks/593dcd1e9b69b2fb981dcd5/?utm_term=.5492bdf13332
The Energy 202: Pruitt punts on climate talks

<http://thehill.com/homenews/administration/337325-report-trumps-epa-chief-leaving-g7-summit-early>
Report: Trump's EPA chief leaving G7 summit early

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/g7-bologna-climate-change-environment-us-disagrees-international-partners-joint-statement-scott-a7785836.html>

US disagrees with G7 partners on climate change and refuses to endorse joint statement

<http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/epa-moves-one-step-closer-to-upending-obamas-climate-legacy/article/2625538>

EPA moves one step closer to upending Obama's climate legacy

<http://dailycaller.com/2017/06/11/epa-chief-leaves-g-7-summit-shortly-after-countries-criticized-trumps-paris-move/>

EPA Chief Leaves G-7 Summit Shortly After Countries Criticized Trump's Paris Move

<http://sanfrancisco.cbslocal.com/2017/06/11/epa-climate-data-published/>

Deleted EPA Climate Data Published On San Francisco's Website

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/scott-pruitt-g7-climate-change_us_593dee5be4b0c5a35ca0c160

Scott Pruitt Leaves G7 Climate Meeting More Than A Day Early

<https://www.bloomberg.com/politics/articles/2017-06-12/epa-head-blamed-obama-for-paris-deal-at-g-7-climate-summit>

EPA Head Blamed Obama for Paris Deal at G-7 Climate Summit

<http://dailycaller.com/2017/06/12/san-francisco-mayor-reposts-deleted-epa-global-warming-webpages/>

San Francisco Mayor Reposts Deleted EPA Global Warming Webpages

http://esweb.bna.com/eslw/1245/split_display.adp?fedfid=113762396&vname=dennotallissues&wsn=499074500&searchid=30026016&doctypeid=2&type=date&mode=doc&split=0&scm=1245&pg=0

Clean Power Plan Review Tests EPA's Climate Change Obligations

http://esweb.bna.com/eslw/1245/split_display.adp?fedfid=113762398&vname=dennotallissues&wsn=499075500&searchid=30026016&doctypeid=2&type=date&mode=doc&split=0&scm=1245&pg=0

Week Ahead: Pruitt Meets the Purse-String Holders

http://esweb.bna.com/eslw/1245/split_display.adp?fedfid=113762404&vname=dennotallissues&wsn=499077000&searchid=30026016&doctypeid=2&type=date&mode=doc&split=0&scm=1245&pg=0

Expect GOP Plaudits for Pruitt But Not EPA Budget at Hearing

http://esweb.bna.com/eslw/1245/split_display.adp?fedfid=113762428&vname=dennotallissues&wsn=499076500&searchid=30026016&doctypeid=2&type=date&mode=doc&split=0&scm=1245&pg=0

Poor Data, Lax Enforcement Mar EPA's Oversight of Benzene Rule

http://esweb.bna.com/eslw/1245/split_display.adp?fedfid=113762427&vname=dennotallissues&wsn=499083500&searchid=30026016&doctypeid=2&type=date&mode=doc&split=0&scm=1245&pg=0

EPA Failed to Update Science Advisory Board Policies, GAO Says

https://www.nytimes.com/2017/06/09/us/politics/settlements-sessions-attorney-general.html?_r=0

Settlements for Company Sins Can No Longer Aid Other Projects, Sessions Says

<https://www.bloomberg.com/politics/articles/2017-06-11/u-s-to-join-g-7-climate-communiqué-showing-splits-germany-says>

U.S. to Join Climate Communiqué Showing Splits, Germany Says

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2017-06-11/u-s-environment-chief-exits-g7-climate-talks-in-italy-early>

U.S. Environment Chief Exits G-7 Climate Talks Before End

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trump-regulation-idUSKBN1930D8>

Trump officials to unveil plan to cut factory rules this week

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-g7-environment-idUSKBN1920N8>

U.S, G7 partners remain at odds on climate at environment meeting

http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/E/EU_ITALY_G7_ENVIRONMENT?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT

US official makes brief appearance at G7 environment summit

http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/U/US_TRUMPS_CLIMATE_WAR?SITE=AP&SECTION=HOME&TEMPLATE=DEFAULT

Trump wages battle against regulations, not climate change

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